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My Day
By Eleanor Roosevelt

JERUSALEM.—

OUR arrival in Jerusalem on Friday evening was rather late and the Sabbath was about to begin. There are many things that cannot be done here on the Sabbath. One is that only gentiles may drive cars, and to send a cable or telegram is almost an impossibility. We had been invited to dine with the Chief Rabbi and Mrs. Herzog at their residence and we were called for by the American Consul-General, Mr. W. Cole, and his wife, who comes from South Africa, so we could drive up to the door even though we weren't Jewish. Some of the Jews from foreign countries tell me that they occasionally drive a car but they don't say anything about it and they try not to make it very noticeable.

BEFORE dinner the lights went out because of a temporary electricity cut and candles could not be lighted in the room where we were because of the Sabbath.

EARLY on Saturday morning we went to Professor Mazar's home. He is the President of the Hebrew University which is at present scattered in buildings all over New Jerusalem; but the new University campus is planned and they are about to build it just outside the city. We met a number of the faculty of the University and had an interesting talk on the difficulties and the importance of education in integrating people from so many lands.

AT 11.00 A.M. I went to see the Minister of Finance, Mr. L. Eshkol. He told me one interesting point that I think should be stressed, namely, that Israel, out of its own taxes, is covering the Government's services such as education, security, health, etc. But the money which comes in from other sources they have to use for development and resettlement of people. They are very proud that the receiving barracks are gradually being eliminated and houses are being built. But it is a most colossal undertaking, so not all of it is done by the Government. The Labour Federation has built some housing and, of course, there is a considerable amount of private building.

AFTER my talk with the [illegible]nce Minister we went over to [illegible] Mrs. Ben-Zvi, the wife of the [illegible]. She is a charming, very simple, very friendly, middle-aged woman with a passion for nature and for Israel. The house she lives in is filled with flowers which she has grown herself and her collections are collections of sea shells, minerals, stones, etc. She kept telling me that she wanted me to tell the Jewish people in the U.S. that they must come to Israel and I took it for granted that she wanted them to come and visit, but I found that she meant they should come and stay here. This seems to me a little more than I can ask, for we do not want to give up our American citizens, but I do think that there could be a far greater exchange of visitors and of people who want to come and work for one or two years on some special project, for Israel does need, because of her load of immigration, a considerable number of people coming from developed countries.

MILLER REELECTED A.Z.C. CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA).—Rabbi Irving Miller was re-elected Chairman of the American Zionist Council at the annual meeting of the plenum of the Council held today. Rabbi Mordechai Kirshblum, President of the Mizrahi Organization of America, and Mr. Ralph Wechsler, a member of the Presidium of the Labour Zionist Organization of America, were elected Vice-Chairmen.

Other officers re-elected were Mr. Charles Bick, a former Hapoel Hamizrahi President as Treasurer; Mr. Paul Goldman, General Secretary of the United Zionist Labour Party, as Secretary; and Rabbi Jerome Unger as Executive Director.

Austria Recalls Envoys

VIENNA, Tuesday (Reuter). — Austrian ambassadors to the four Great Powers are being called to Vienna to discuss the proposed Austrian state treaty, a Cabinet communique said today.

A government spokesman said the main topic would be the guarantees demanded by Russia that Austria would not be annexed by West Germany.

Big Trade Unions Oppose Bevan's Ouster from Party

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Powerful trade union groups tonight made eleventh-hour efforts to save Mr. Aneurin Bevan, rebel Socialist left-winger, from expulsion tomorrow from the Labour Party.

Mr. Bevan by 141 votes to 112 was barred last week from the Labour parliamentary organization. Tomorrow the party's governing caucus, the 28-member National Executive Committee, meets to decide whether to follow this up by expelling him from the Labour movement itself.

Today the Executive Committee of the National Union of Railwaymen — which has backed the left-winger's policies on past occasions — passed a resolution asking that Mr. Bevan be readmitted to the parliamentary group and stressed their opposition to attempts to expel him. The union provides 300,000 of the party's 6,400,000 members.

The Executive Committee of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, which has 620,000 members in the Labour Party, sent a letter to the Secretary of the party saying it in no way condoned Mr. Bevan's parliamentary action on March 2 (when he publicly challenged his leader, Mr. Clement Attlee) but it considered that the extreme measure of his expulsion from the party would be against the interests of all members.

The Communist-led Scottish Area of the National Mine-Workers Union, at a delegate conference today, by 139 votes to 8 adopted a resolution calling for the parliamentary Socialist bar on Mr. Bevan to be ended. The Scottish Area represents 10 per cent of the Mine-Workers Union's 700,000 total membership, which is predominantly right-wing.

Churchill Dodges Retirement Query

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Sir Winston Churchill today neatly dodged attempts in the Commons to force him to disclose his plans for resigning as Prime Minister.

The former Labour Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, asked him if he would have [illegible] further [illegible] appointing Cabinet Ministers.

Questioned about his reported forthcoming retirement, he told members "not to be led away by all the chatter in the press." Mr. Shinwell asked whether it was true that he was being "pushed out by Tory colleagues."

Earlier, Sir Winston told the Commons he considered publication of the American version of the 1945 Yalta conference "untimely."

Answering questions, the Prime Minister said the Foreign Office was informed last summer of the U.S. Government's wish to publish collections of documents relating to the Yalta and Potsdam conferences. Proofs of the papers have been in British possession since December.

He added, "The Foreign Secretary with my complete agreement sent a reply deprecating on general grounds detailed records of important international discussions being published so soon after the event.

"On March 11 the U.S. Government informed us that they had decided not to publish, but on March 15 we were told publication could not be resisted any longer. Twenty-four hours later it occurred."

"It has now to be decided whether we should publish our own report," Sir Winston said.

Egyptians Fire on Israel Vehicles

Two vehicles belonging to Givat Rahel settlement travelling in the demilitarised zone near Nitsana in the South-Western Negev, were fired on yesterday afternoon from an Egyptian position, the Army spokesman announced. No members of the settlement were hit. Israel has lodged a complaint on the incident with the Israel-Egypt Mixed Armistice Commission.

A private car, travelling on the road from Neve Or to Kibbutz Gesher in the Jordan Valley, was fired upon with automatic weapons around midnight on Monday, the spokesman added. The vehicle was hit, but there were no casualties. Footsteps of three men leading to the Jordan border were found at the scene of the incident. Israel has lodged a complaint with the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission and has requested an emergency meeting.

A group of workers on Mount Gilboa, south of Heftsi Bah in the vicinity of Afula, was fired upon from Jordan territory on Monday afternoon, the spokesman announced. None of the workers was hit. Israel has lodged a complaint with the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission.

Infiltrators on Monday night stole 105 plum plants and 20 iron bars, valued at IL260, from Be'eri in the western Negev. Footsteps of six persons led to the Gaza Strip.

Knesset Completes Budget 1st Reading

By a vote of 38 to 13, the 1955/56 Budget passed its first reading in the Knesset shortly after midnight last night. The vote was strictly along party division, coalition versus Opposition, with the two Aguda parties abstaining.

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levy Eshkol, did not reply to the debate prior to the vote, but will do so on Thursday, when he is due to introduce the two supplementary budgets. Today he will introduce the Income Tax amendments.

In the debate on the Development Budget, Mr. Haim Ariav, (General Zionist) said there was no question about the need for development of the country in order to achieve economic independence: the problem was how to develop, and who would do the developing.

There were limitations to the establishment of agricultural settlements in the Negev, he declared — security limitations, water limitations, and economic limitations. The dispersion of the population in the Negev by agricultural settlement alone did not create employment, but created problems of unemployment for the settlers.

Notice that he would ask for a reduction of the Development Budget by IL50m. was given by Dr. Y. Bader (Herut) who said that the money should be used "for immigrants," security, industry, to reduce taxation and encourage industry and for other purposes that would bring about "real development."

He also attacked Mr. P. Bernstein, Minister of Commerce and Industry, for his ambiguous attitude toward trade control, which was expressed in the Ministry's issuing import licences without controlling imports, and issuing rations without controlling their distribution.

Dr. Y. Foerder (Progressive) declared that Israel's real economic difficulties would occur in 1957/58 when revenue from outside sources would be greatly reduced; all our efforts today must be directed towards achieving economic independence by that time. Our aim must be to reduce the gap in the balance of payments to $75m. or $80m.

Mr. M. Bentov (Mapam) criticized the decision of the Government to form a company to import luxury foods, while the poorer classes could not even afford basic necessities. He charged that before his recent trip to the U.S., Mr. Eshkol had issued an order that the cost-of-living index was not to rise during his absence.

Barak in Hospital; Warhaftig Accuses

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Mr. Moshe Barak, on the eighth day of his hunger strike, was today taken to Tel Hashomer Hospital. The Committee for Civil Marriage had appealed to the Minister of Health for a bed to be made available at its expense, and the request was granted.

Mr. Barak agreed to be treated by physicians after he had fainted from exhaustion, but he still does not take food.

In the Knesset yesterday, the Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, Mr. Z. Warhaftig, challenged the right of Moshe Barak to his protest on the score that he had been divorced two-and-a-half years ago and had since then failed to contribute to the maintenance of his six-year-old daughter.

"I don't know why he is fasting — for a licence for a mixed marriage or for bigamy — since the woman whom he now wishes to marry was previously married in a civil ceremony, and was recently granted a Jewish religious divorce on the basis of that man's false testimony that the woman was Jewish." When Mr. Warhaftig attempted to go into details of her past history, he was shouted down by Members' protests.

While agreeing there might be personal tragedy in these cases, he quoted Ahad Ha'am to the effect that those who were interested in the continued existence of the Jewish people must fight mixed marriages and "be cruel to ourselves and our children without pity. There can be no pity where the national existence is in danger."

COURT UPHOLDS FATHER

LONDON, Tuesday (INA). — The Chelsea Domestic Court today refused a 20-year-old Jewish girl permission to marry an American of Catholic faith. The Court upheld the girl's father, who had objected, but stressed that in a year's time the girl would be 21, when different considerations would arise.

3 'Communist Jews' Sentenced in Egypt

CAIRO, Tuesday (UP). — The Supreme Military Court here has sentenced three "Jewish Communists" to prison terms and acquitted four others.

Henry Vita Cohen, a French citizen, and David Joseph Osmo, a Greek national, were sentenced to eight years' imprisonment at hard labour. Nissim Ibrahim Nahmias, also a French citizen received three years without hard labour.

The four acquitted included a Frenchwoman, Miss Joice Blau, and her brother Nathan.

The three convicted men were found guilty of acting as secret links between the Egyptian Communist underground and the French Communist Party in Paris. They were also charged with directing Egyptian Communist cells, disseminating secret leaflets and spreading subversive propaganda.

The Prosecution further claimed that the Communist movement in Egypt was directed by Zionist interests in Israel.

Knesset Gets Soviet Peace Appeal

The Knesset has received the proclamation of the Supreme Soviet of February 9, calling upon all parliaments in the world to cooperate for the promotion of peace. This was announced by the Knesset Speaker, Mr. Y. Sprinzak, at yesterday's meeting of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee. The proclamation had been transmitted to the Knesset by the Israel Foreign Ministry.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Sharett, participated in the Committee's discussions, and the Knesset presidium is to make an announcement on the subject.

This will be done by Mr. Sprinzak at the opening of this afternoon's session.

Aruba Turns Back With Jet Fuel Cargo

HELSINKI, Tuesday (UP).—The Finnish tanker Aruba has turned back from its trip to China with 18,000 tons of jet fuel, the Finnish Seamen's Union said today.

The crew of the big tanker rebelled last week against running the Formosa blockade and demanded the captain put into the port of Colombo, Ceylon. He refused and ordered the ship to sail eastward as long as the men would work.

The crew members, keeping in touch with their parent union in Helsinki by radio, then announced they would sail only as far as the Nicobar islands at the mouth of the Malacca Strait leading to Singapore.

The owners of the ship notified China of the action and asked for further instructions—should the Aruba put into a neutral port for transhipment of the cargo or could the cargo be loaded aboard another ship on the high seas.

Peking did not answer and the Aruba's owners stopped the ship in the Indian ocean and ordered it back to Constanza, Rumania, where the kerosene was first taken aboard.

USSR Names 3 Deputy Foreign Ministers

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Mr. Vassili Kuznetsov has been appointed First Deputy Foreign Minister of the Soviet Union, Moscow radio announced tonight.

Mr. V. Semenov and Mr. M.K. Fedorenko have been appointed Second Deputy Ministers of Foreign Affairs.

22 KILLED IN MINE EXPLOSION IN ITALY

MORGANO, Italy, (UP). — A gas explosion ripped through a brown coal mine today near this hill-top village, 80 kms. north of Rome, in one of Italy's worst post-war mine disasters.

Authorities who rushed to the scene put the casualty toll at 22 killed, 18 injured and three missing.

Arabs Attempt To Salvage Case In Security Council

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (INA). — Arab diplomats were desperately active today in their effort to see members of the Security Council and attempt to rescue some kind of anti-Israel expression in the face of what they call the "pro-Israel" and "unfavourable" report on the Gaza incident given by General Burns at the Council meeting last week.

In preparation for tomorrow's Council meeting, when the Israel side in the Gaza dispute is to be presented by Mr. Abba Eban, Arab diplomats were trying hard to gain sentiment for their cause. The Egyptian delegate, Omar Lutfi, conferred for half an hour with the British delegate, while the Yemenite delegate and the head of the recently opened Arab Information Centre here conferred for 45 minutes with the Soviet delegate, Mr. A. Sobolev.

It was reported that Mr. Sobolev was asked to show at least token consideration for the Arabs by abstaining if not vetoing any resolution that failed to meet Egypt's request for sanctions against Israel.

66 Killed in Military Plane Crash in Hawaii

HONOLULU, Tuesday (UP). — A military air transport service plane en route from Hawaii to California with 66 persons aboard crashed and burned today. The U.S. Navy said there were no survivors.

The plane, which crashed atop a ridge inside the Navy's top-secret Lualualei ammunition depot about 30 kms. north-west of here, carried 57 passengers and nine crewmen.

'Minor' Atom Blast Set Off in US

LAS VEGAS, Tuesday (Reuter). — The sixth atomic explosion of the 1955 series of tests was set off in the Nevada desert today. It was a "minor" detonation.

A long delayed major blast was postponed yesterday because of weather conditions, but a weaker explosion was set off today with a Marine combat battalion from Camp Pendleton, California, taking part.

About 800 Marines were to be in trenches 3,500 yards from the detonation tower. After the explosion they were to move into loading zones for an airborne attack on simulated objectives.

In addition to 30 Marine helicopters, 24 Marine jet fighters, attack planes jets and eight Navy attack planes were also due to crisscross over the scene of mock atomic warfare.

Observers in Las Vegas said the blast was not as great as that in the big test of March 8 seen in 11 Western states. But they said it was larger than that of a "baby A bomb."

Today's explosion was seen as far away as the San Francisco area. In the sampling city of Las Vegas the shock was described as resembling a minor earthquake.

US Supports George's Views on Soviet Talks

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). The State Department said today that Sen. Walter George's proposal for a high-level big power conference "is in harmony" with its views.

In making the statement, the Department spokesman, Mr Henry Suydam, left out a condition he had mentioned yesterday — that Russia must show evidence of good faith before the U.S. agrees to such a parley.

He repeated that there would be no chance for a big power meeting until after the Paris agreements on rearming West Germany are ratified. But he refused to say — as he did yesterday — that Russia would have to give "some evidence that there will be a basis of agreement" on certain outstanding issues.

Mr. Suydam made his statement only a few hours after Republican leaders, emerging from a meeting with President Eisenhower, said that he still opposes a top level conference with Russia until she gives evidence — by deeds — of her good faith.

On the face of that, the White House and the State Department appeared to be in conflict on the conditions for a Big Power conference. The Department's statement today also seemed to suggest that a policy change might be in the making on the question of a meeting with Russia.

However, Mr. Suydam later came back after conferring with higher authority and said there was no contradiction between his statements yesterday and today.

Nuri Is Willing to Meet Nasser in Syrian Capital

Salem Denies Plan to Join West

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Egyptian Minister of Propaganda, Major Salah Salem, tonight denied reports that Egypt had agreed to join the Turco-Iraqi Pact.

A statement by the Minister read over Cairo Radio said: "One of the foreign news agencies yesterday issued declarations which it ascribed to me, and which have been published in many Arab newspapers.

"This foreign agency alleged that the declarations were made during an important press conference of the Egyptian Minister of Propaganda and indicated an important change in Egypt's Arab policy.

"To clarify this important matter, I announce that I have not held any press conference since the day on which I returned from my last tour of the Arab countries.

"I declare on behalf of my Government that Egypt does not, and will not think of changing her policy in the Arab region, announced several months ago, and in existence actually for more than two years. This policy is founded on a sincere Arab unity and rejection of foreign pacts in all its shapes and forms."

Major Salem's statement said when Egypt assumed her attitude towards this pact, it was because it was "incompatible with Arab aims particularly as this Arab region has not yet managed to achieve its aspirations towards complete independence and real liberation."

Major Salem said a meeting of heads of the Arab governments would be held before the end of the month, in accordance with the agreement concluded by the three governments which proclaims as its aims "the realization of complete military, political and economic unity."

"I assure those who imagine that Egypt is agreeable to throw away this sincere Arab pact for the Turco-Iraqi pact, or any other pact, that they are wasting their efforts.

"The real and complete truth is that the objective of Egypt's endeavours is the liberation from all foreign control."

Major Salem also stated that the Iraqi Radio had launched a bitter campaign against the present Egyptian regime. Egypt did not oppose the Iraqi regime, or the head of the Government, but it considered Nuri e-Said's policy harmful to Arab interests. The Prime Minister, Colonel Abdul Nasser, had informed the Iraqi Ambassador that Egypt would be forced to oppose the Iraqi regime if the radio attacks continued.

The Iraqi Ambassador in turn, informed the Egyptian Cabinet that under no circumstances would his Government oppose the Egyptian regime.

"This is the only point on which understanding has been reached," Major Salem concluded.

US Said Considering Israel Defence Pact

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — American officials at a relatively high level said today they are working on a broad plan for the Middle East which includes the U.S. joining the Turco-Iraqi pact, offering Israel a mutual defence alliance and suggesting that Egypt either align herself with the Ankara pact or make a separate defence arrangement with Washington.

They said that this is the overall approach being taken by the officials whom Secretary of State Dulles has charged with trying to work out a new American approach to the area.

France Not Joining Pacts Without Israel

PARIS, Tuesday (UP). — Foreign Ministry sources yesterday confirmed that France does not intend joining the Turco-Iraqi or any other Middle Eastern pact so long as such treaties do not meet approval of all the states in the area — including Israel.

The sources reiterated that France's position at present was that nothing should be done in the Middle East to destroy the balance of power between Israel and the Arab states.

They insisted that French policy was to build a Middle Eastern defence system which would meet with the approval of all states concerned. If this could be achieved, as an official Quai d'Orsay spokesman recently said, "France would join such an organization with pleasure." But until this was achieved, France will strive to seek to bring together the opposing views in the area although she will in no way interfere in the various countries' affairs, the sources said.

They emphasized that French fears the Turco-Iraqi pact threatened Syrian or Lebanese independence had been calmed during conversations with Britain. France would continue to seek similar assurances concerning Israel, which it realized might feel threatened by the strengthening of Arab military power.

Salem's Negev Scheme 'Impractical' — 'Times'

LONDON, Tuesday (INA). — "The Times" reports that British government officials indicated yesterday that the Egyptian proposal on a Negev link between Egypt and Jordan was "impractical," and could not expect British support.

Britain has received no formal approach yet from Egypt on the proposal. Egyptian sources said details were being awaited from Cairo before such an approach was made.

One highly competent diplomatic source disclosed that Egypt had suggested privately in recent months that her ban on Israel shipping through the Suez Canal might be lifted in return for Israel concessions on the Negev.

JORDAN ACCEPTS SOVIET AID

NEW YORK, Tuesday (Reuter). — Six countries have signified their willingness to accept 4m. roubles (about £300,000) worth of aid provided by the Soviet Union under the United Nations Technical Assistance scheme, it has been disclosed at United Nations headquarters.

The countries are Jordan, Pakistan, Yugoslavia, Ceylon, Ecuador, and India. The money has already been allocated to them.

It is the first allocation of Soviet Assistance since Moscow announced in 1953 that it would contribute to the scheme.

The money was given to provide Soviet equipment and to meet the cost of sending Soviet experts abroad.

Vietnam Gov't Meets On Rebel Ultimatum

SAIGON, Tuesday. — Premier Ngo Dinh Diem called an emergency Cabinet meeting today to study an ultimatum from rebellious religious sects to reshuffle his Government or quit.

Linked with the ultimatum was the unconcealed threat of possible civil war in the southern portion of the nation which was split in two at the Geneva conference.

Leaders of the sects, which have their own armies, also met again to consider their next steps if Diem rejects their demand to reorganize the Government within five days.

The leaders who united their movements recently under the title "United Front of Nationalists," accuse Diem of failing to secure the country against Communism and of splitting the Vietnamese instead of uniting them during his nine months in office.

Sources close to Diem said he would rather resign than yield to what he considered a threat from the private armies. They said he had been contemplating a reshuffle for the last month but would now probably postpone it in order not to lose face.

Sources close to the private armies did not expect serious armed clashes would follow rejection of the ultimatum unless the national army launched a major attack, but said the capital would be cut off from supplies and perhaps hit by labour troubles. (UP, Reuter)

NEHRU TO VISIT RUSSIA IN JUNE

NEW DELHI, Tuesday (UP). —Premier Jawaharlal Nehru will leave for a visit to Russia early in June, it was learned today. The exact date of his departure will be fixed shortly.

Azem Is Credited With Conciliation

The Iraqi Premier, Nuri e-Said, has offered to meet Prime Minister Abdul Nasser, of Egypt, in Damascus, according to the Iraqi Military Attache to Syria, Lt. Saleh Sama'eri, who returned to his post from Baghdad on Monday night.

A NEABS report quoted the Attache as saying that Nuri's willingness to meet the Egyptians half-way had been the result of the conciliation mission to Baghdad undertaken by the Syrian Premier, Khaled al Azem.

The Syrian cabinet yesterday met to discuss a memorandum from the Syrian Legation in Ankara on the current tension between Syria and Turkey. According to informed sources quoted by U.P., the Syrian Minister accused the Turkish Premier, Mr. Adnan Menderes, of trying to provoke Syria into severing diplomatic relations. The Minister was said to have been summoned in harsh and undiplomatic terms by the Premier, who had rejected Syria's note on her defence pact with Egypt and Saudi Arabia, and had coupled this rejection with severe warnings.

The Chairman of the Syrian parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday called on the Government to observe strict neutrality in the Egyptian-Iraqi dispute.

The Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdul Khalek Hassuna, said today that the Arab League Council would meet as arranged on March 27. He denied reports that the meeting had been postponed.

Earlier reports said that the meeting had been postponed to give time to resolve differences over the recent Turco-Iraqi pact.

Meanwhile, King Faisal of Iraq and the Emir Abdul Illah have postponed their trip to Jordan yesterday, owing to "emergency reasons." The King is expected to go to Amman next month to attend the wedding of his cousin, King Hussein.

The Arab News Agency again reported from Baghdad yesterday that Iraq will formally announce the abrogation of the Anglo-Iraqi Treaty early next month.

The tenth anniversary of the founding of the Arab League was celebrated in several Arab countries yesterday. In Syria and Jordan government offices were closed to mark the occasion. (UP, ANA, NEABS)

JOHNSTON CONFERS WITH U.N. CHIEF

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (INA). — Ambassador Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy on the Jordan River project, who recently returned from the Middle East after conferring with Israel and Arab leaders, yesterday met briefly with the U.N. Secretary General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold. During the conference Mr. Hammarskjold called in General Burns and the three men were closeted for a further short period.

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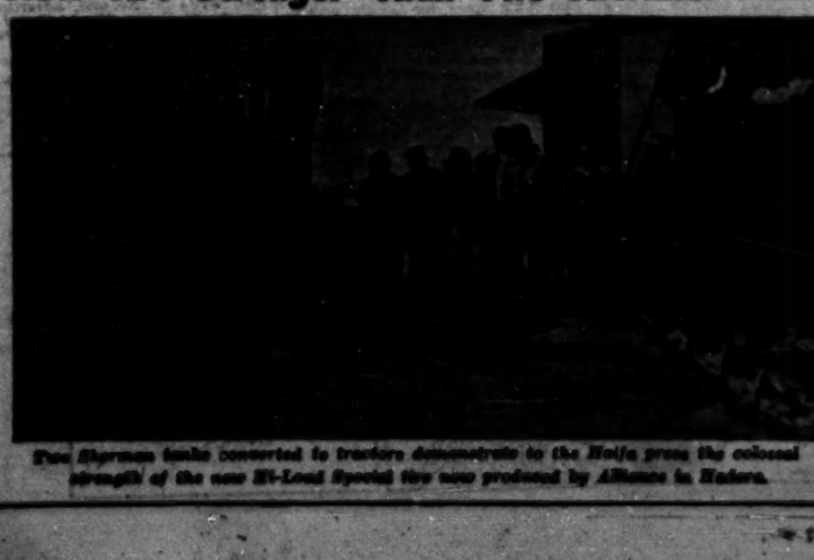

Two Sherman tanks converted to tractors demonstrate to the Haifa press the colossal strength of the new Hi-Load Special tire now produced by Alliance in Hadera.

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The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday received Rabbi David Hollander, President of the Rabbinical Council of America, and Rabbi Herschel Schachter, "Israel Chairman" of the Council.

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ARRIVALS: Mr. Yitzhak Raphael, M.K., from a two-month mission to the U.S. and Europe on behalf of Hapoel Hamizrahi; Mr. A. L. Gellman, Chairman of the World Mizrahi Union, from a mission on behalf of his party in the U.S. (by Air France); Major Nils Erik Herzman, of the Swedish Army, to assume his post as Observer for the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization in Jerusalem; Mr. Paul Borchsenius, the Danish author, to compile material for his third book on Israel (by SAS); Mr. M. Till and Mr. L. Ashwood, of the British Pathe Films, for a short business visit (by Swissair); Messrs. C. A. Carlen, B. Carlen and E. Ahlstedt, Directors of the International Ytong Co. Stockholm, on a visit to the Israel Ytong Corporation (by SAS).

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DEPARTURES: The State Controller, Dr. S. Moses, for the U.S. to inspect some of Israel's missions there; Mr. Ian Mikardo, British M.P., (by El Al); Mr. Jon Kimche, Editor of the "Jewish Observer and Middle East Review," after a month's visit (by KLM); Judge S. Lowenberg, Chairman of the National Council for the Prevention of Accidents, for a series of lectures at the invitation of the American Jewish Committee (by Swissair); M. Andre Gros, Legal Adviser of the French Ministry for Foreign Affairs, after attending the Tel Aviv School of Law and Economics Symposium (by Air France).

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Mr. P. Chinn, Honorary Treasurer of the British Friends of the Israel Anti-Tuberculosis League, yesterday visited the League's clinics in Tel Aviv, Ramle, Rehovot and Ashkelon.

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Mr Israel Halpern, of the Hebrew University, has been promoted from the rank of Lecturer in Jewish History to that of Associate Professor.

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Mr. M. Wingate, co-owner of the Israel Safety Glass Co. Ltd., has arrived from London, accompanied by his daughter.

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The weekly luncheon meeting of the Haifa Rotary Club will not take place today in view of the Ladies' Banquet on the occasion of Rotary's Golden Jubilee, to be held at 8 o'clock this evening at the Megiddo Hotel. Mr. E. Lawson, the American Ambassador, will speak.

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Dr. Harold Robinson, head of the Housing Division, U.S.O.M., is to deliver the third of a series of three guest lectures at the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, on "The Israel Housing Programme and the Applicability of the Experience of the United States to Israel" at 7 p.m. today, March 23, in Hall 84 of the Technion.

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Ing. A. Bourlet, A.I.G., Maitre de Conference at the Universite Libre de Bruxelles, will deliver the last of a series of three guest lectures in English under the auspices of the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, on "Fluid Drives for Cars and Railways — Part II" today, March 23, at 6 p.m. in room 20 of the Technion.

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Professor Helmer Ringgreen, Lecturer in the History of Religion, University of Uppsala, Sweden, is to deliver a lecture on "Conversion in Early Islam" under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University's School of Oriental Studies and the Israel Oriental Society, tonight, at 8.30, in Room 17, the Institute of Oriental Studies, Terra Sancta.

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Miss Molly Picon and Mr. Jacob Kalich, her husband, are to give a concert at 9 o'clock this evening at the Zion Cinema in Jerusalem, for the benefit of the Ezrat Nashim Mental Hospital.

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BIRTH

ROSENSTOCK — to Betty (nee Adler), wife of Mr. Rosenstock, Ramat Hadar, on March 13, 1955, at Beilinson Hospital, a son, brother to Yuval.

MARRIAGES

CARMY-CARACO—LEVINSON

The marriage of Joel Gilbert Carmy-Caraco and Battia Levinson was celebrated yesterday in Jerusalem. The ceremony was private. Only Parents and relatives attended.

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MANOACH — PEERI

The marriage took place on Tuesday March 22, 1955, in Tel Aviv of Mr. B. Manoach, advocate, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Manoach, Jerusalem, and Miss Aviva Peeri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Avraham Peeri, Engineer, Tel Aviv. The ceremony was private. Only parents and relatives attended.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial ceremony for the Jerusalem journalist, Ya'acov Chasin, was held yesterday at his graveside at the Har Hamenuhot Cemetery in Jerusalem, on the occasion of the second anniversary of his death. Mr. G. Cifrony eulogized the deceased on behalf of the Jerusalem Journalists Association.

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In commemoration of the first anniversary of the death of Dr. Shmuel Ben-Shabatai, of the Sha'arei Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem, a memorial ceremony will be held at his graveside today at Har Hamenuhot Cemetery. A bus will leave at noon from the Sha'arei Zedek Hospital.

Egged Warns of 'Bankruptcy'

HAIFA, Tuesday. — "If the findings of the Zohar transport enquiry commission are accepted and bus fares are not raised above the six per cent it suggested, the Egged bus cooperative will be bankrupt within two years," representatives of Egged told the Press here yesterday. Even the representatives of the Hevrat Ha'ovdim, who control Egged's books, had recommended a 14-per cent rise, and something would have to be done because the cooperative members were unwilling to lower their standard of living further.

Egged could not accept the commission's findings as they would entail a lowering of the members' standard of living which "not the commission but only the Histadrut could decide." Egged would welcome a reduction in the price paid by it for fuel and spare parts instead of a fare increase which would cause further decreases in the number of passengers.

The representatives stated that the enquiry commission had made a large number of "technical mistakes" in its cost accounting. Together, these mistakes amounted to IL.204,000 in the cooperative's monthly running costs. If these mistakes were made good, then, even according to the commission's own findings, the fare increase should not be six per cent but 15 per cent. However, the commission had been established with the express purpose of finding an excuse for preventing a fare increase and had consequently "cut Egged according to the cloth" instead of being realistic.

The taxes and rates paid by the cooperative made up 30 per cent of the price of every ticket sold and a fare rise did not mean higher wages for drivers but was necessary to cover increased costs. An efficiency advice company was working with Egged, and many savings had been effected through increased efficiency. In view of the "serious situation" the cooperative council had empowered the management to take all steps it saw fit in its struggle to "balance the Egged budget." But the spokesmen declined to prophesy what these steps might be.

Turning to the problem of *Sherut* taxis, the spokesmen agreed that these had in some cases brought an improved bus service in their wake but said that the taxis were "duplicating" the service at a cost of foreign currency. Since 1949, the number of buses in the country had risen only from 800 to 1,741, while the number of taxis had increased from 2,271 to 12,750 and that of private cars from 12,750 to 34,060. They expressed the opinion that the currency allocated for the import of cars and taxis instead of buses had been unwisely spent.

Egged believed that the days of the small, petrol-driven bus were past, and was now importing larger, Diesel-powered vehicles. Ticket sellers inside the bus on the urban routes had proved very effective and were saving up to one-third of the bus running time.

The spokesmen noted that passenger-driver relationship had markedly improved of late, partly due to the heavy penalties drivers faced in cases of "talking back to passengers, even if insulted."

Israel Worker Not Free, British Doctor Says

"The Israel worker is not free," Prof. Y. Leibowitz, of the Hebrew University, said on Monday evening in his speech to a forum held by the editorial board of the periodical "Beterem" at Beit Hahalutzot, Jerusalem. The professor was quoting the reaction of a visiting English medical expert on hearing his description of the organization of Israel's medical services.

Prof. Leibowitz made a violent plea for the nationalization of Israel's health services and for freeing the workers from what he called "their feudalistic enslavement to the Kupat Holim and other politically controlled corporations."

Changes in Israel's foreign policy were advocated by Mr. Eliezer Livneh, M.K. (Mapai), who opened the forum. Israel's public must lose its illusions that the U.S. would give military aid or definitive security commitments to Israel before it had completed its plans for the integration of all the Arab countries into an anti-Eastern bloc defence organization, he said.

Israel must join the ranks of a third force in world politics, he added.

Blumel New French Zionist President

PARIS, Tuesday (INA). — M. Andre Blumel has been elected President of the Zionist Federation of France replacing M. Mark Jarblum who recently resigned to take up permanent residence in Israel.

Until now M. Blumel has been Secretary-General of the Federation. M. Jarblum has been named Honorary President.

M. Blumel, who ran as an independent, was opposed by the General Zionist and Mizrahi factions, but won by an absolute majority.

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15 Buses Idle In Haifa—No Licences

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Tuesday. — "Although an enquiry commission has been set up to investigate bus fares and the possibility of reducing them, my 15 buses are still standing in the garage because the Government has not yet agreed to relicense them," Mr. Fred Khayat, of Haifa, told *The Jerusalem Post* here, in answer to an enquiry.

Of the buses, 12 are in running order, while three need minor repairs. The small buses used to run a service on various Haifa routes until the State was established, when some of them were lent to the Army for transport services. Since then all efforts to relicense them have failed.

He added that he was prepared to run his buses at no more than present fares, "or even below Egged fares."

Asked whether his claim that he could run at "current or even reduced fares," could be substantiated, Mr. Khayat pointed out that the Galilee Bus Company, of which he is a director, which owns only nine buses and runs a service between Haifa and Nazareth and one neighbouring village, had made "a very substantial profit" last year at current Eshed fares. In his opinion fares could be reduced and a good profit still made.

He thought that the urban services in the three big towns should be run by a public utility company with the Municipality holding 50 per cent of the shares and the rest sold freely on the stock market. The interurban services including all routes to settlements should be run by a separate company with the Government and Jewish Agency holding the majority of the shares.

Jewish Doctors To Convene in Haifa

The World Congress of Jewish Physicians is going ahead with preparations for a convention to be held this August in Haifa, the Israel Medical Association reported yesterday. The U.S. branch of the Congress intends presenting scientific films at the convention while the French organizing committee, representing four medical associations, has announced that films on psychiatric care will be shown. Shoham Lines are granting a 10 per cent reduction for participants travelling on their ships.

The Medical Association has announced that it has prohibited its members from seeking employment at the Petah Tikva Municipal maternity hospital, following a "professional disagreement with the Municipality over the selection of a director for the hospital."

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

382, 249, 33.3 & 48.9 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.00, 6.15, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m.

6.00 a.m. Morning Programme (Haifa only). 6.30 Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Ballet (R). 1.45 Break for Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Tea Time Music (R). 5.00 Piano Recital: Sonata (Haydn); Fables (Martinu); Suite Op. 14 (Bartok). 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Musical Echoes (R). 7.20 Agricultural Corner. 7.30 Cantoral Requests. 8.00 Feature on Insurance. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 The Week in the U.N. 9.00 Twenty Questions. 9.30 Classical Request Programme: "The Seasons" Oratorio (Haydn). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

497, 400, 225, 216, 48.9 & 32.3 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Close Down. 8.45 Rumanian. 9.00 Hungarian. 9.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): 11.05 p.m. News. 11.25 "Ask the Expert." 11.30 Musical Greetings. 11.45 The Week's News.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.6, 216, 226 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Recital. 7.00 Requests. 4.30 Tomorrow's Ramahone. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.00 Musical Key. 8.30 News. 8.45 "Jazz". 9.00 Twenty Questions. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (16.79, 16.96, 19.42 & 25.15 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News; News Talk; Youth Magazine.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Apache Drums.
EDEN: Give a Girl a Break.
EDISON: Hans Christian Andersen, 4th and last week.
ORGIL: Hill 24 Does Not Answer.
ORION: Garden of Evil.
ORNA: "Le Grand Jeu."
RON: Hill 24 Does Not Answer.
STUDIO: Brief Encounter.
TEL OR: Behave Yourself.
ZION HALL: The Saracen Blade.

TEL AVIV

At 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

ALLENBY: Verdi, 6th week.
CHEN: Doctor in the House.
ESTHER: "Le Infedeli," 2nd week.
MIGDALOR: Rasputine, 2nd week.
MOGRABI: Prince Valiant, 2nd week.
OPHIR: Hill 24 Does Not Answer.
ORION: City Lights, 6th week.
SHDEROT: "Bagarres," Matinees: The Red Shoes, 2nd week.
TAMAR: The Captain's Paradise, 4th week. Matinees: Woman in Hiding; continuous from 9.45 a.m. to 5.45 p.m.

HAIFA

EN DOR: Devil Makes Three.
ORION: So Big, 5th week.
ATZMON: All the Brothers were Valiant, 2nd week.
PEER: Magnificent Obsession, 2nd week.
GAL OR: April in Paris. Matinees: My Dream is Yours.
MORIAH: The Unfinished Symphony.
MAY: Sign of the Pagan.
AMPHITHEATRE: Hell and High Water.
ORLY: "Les Compagnes de la Nuit." 6.45 and 9 p.m.

America Opposed To Calendar Reform

NEW YORK, Tuesday (Reuter). — The United States yesterday opposed any action to change the present world calendar and urged that the United Nations drop any further study of the matter.

In its reply sent to the Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, the United States State Department said that a large number of American citizens oppose the reform on religious grounds, since it would disrupt the Sabbatical cycle.

"This government furthermore recommends that no further study of the subject should be taken. Such a study would require the use of manpower and minds which could be most usefully devoted to more vital and urgent tasks," the American reply said.

India has suggested a calendar which would introduce a "world day" on the 365th day of each year to be observed as an international holiday and dedicated to universal harmony and the unity of mankind.

In leap years, another international holiday would be interposed between June 30 and July 1.

The reform proposal would retain the present division into 12 months, but each month would contain an exact number of 26 working days plus Sundays with the year static on a Sunday.

Days and dates would always agree from year to year and holidays would be permanently fixed.

Order for Eviction Is Rejected

The fact that a landlord regularly accepts payment of rent after the date fixed in the lease does not mean that he cannot file a suit for eviction, Magistrate Y. Bazak, ruled in Jerusalem on Friday.

However, he noted that if the tenant offered the landlord payment after the date fixed but before the landlord filed suit, the landlord could obtain an eviction order only if the lease was invalidated by late payment.

On this ground, Magistrate Bazak rejected an application for an eviction order, requested by Mrs. Malka Novik, against Mr. Yosef Gershon, of Mahane Yehuda. *(Itim)*

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Exhibitions:—

"Conquest of the Desert" permanent exhibition at the former Israel pavilion of the International "Conquest of the Desert" Exhibition 10-6.

Oil and Watercolour Paintings by Ruth Bamberger and Metal Work by Ludwig Wolpert, "Nora Studio" Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Avenue, 10-1, 3-6.

Watercolours by Boris Solovechik and J. Kossonogi, New Art Gallery (Berus and Moses), 5 Rehov Ben Yehuda.

Department of Antiquities special exhibition: Excavations of a Cana'anite Temple of the sea shore of Nahariya (XVIIIth-XVth centuries B.C.E.), 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1, 4-6.

★ **Tours:—**

Hebrew University conducted tour New Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

★ **Lecture:—**

Mr Benveniste on: 1) "History of Israel in the 3rd Form", 2) "Study of the Jezreel Valley in the 4th Form" Lemel School, 7.30 p.m. Teachers from Jerusalem and Corridor are welcome.

★ **Film Show: —**

Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors, 11:30 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibition:—**

Opening at 5 p.m. of the "New Horizons" Exhibition comprising works by 18 painters and sculptors. Museum.

★ **Theatre:—**

Chamber Theatre, "Casablan," Mograbi Hall, 8 p.m. Shakespeare's "As You Like It," Chamber Theatre Hall, 8 p.m.

Habimah, "A Tale of Three and Four," 3.30 (For Youth) and 8 p.m. (for Workers).

★ **Concert:—**

Chamber Music—all Dvorak programme—Z.O.A. House—8.30 p.m.

★ **Lecture:—**

Dr. E. Rosenthal (Cambridge University) on "Hebrew Scholarship in the English Bible," British Council Library, 68 Rehov Hayarkon, 8.15 p.m.

HAIFA

★ **Lecture:—**

Prof. Dov Medzini on "Florence, Home of the Renaissance", Technion, Room No 80, 9 p.m.

★ **Concert:—**

Haifa Orchestra 5th Subscription Concert. All Bach Programme Peer Hall, 9 p.m.

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★ **Theatre: —**

Habimah, 'The Tea House,' 8 p.m.

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US Tops at Mexico City

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday (UP).— Two World and 16 Games records were set in the track and field division of the Pan-American Games out of the 22 events. The United States took 16 first places, Argentina three, Chile, Brazil and Guatemala one each.

The champions of the 1955 Games were: — 100 metre dash: Rod Richard, U.S. (new record); 200 metres: Rod Richard, U.S. (new record) 400 metres: Lou Jones, U.S. (World record); 800 metres: Arnold Sowell, U.S. (new record); 1500 metres: Juan Miranda, Argentina; 3000 metres steeplechase: Guillermo Sola, Chile; 5,000 metres: Osvaldo Suarez, Argentina; 10,000 metres: Suarez, Argentina; 400 metres hurdles: Josh Culbreath, U.S. (new record); 110 metres hurdles: Jack Davis, U.S.; High jump: Ernie Shelton, U.S. (new record); Long jump: Roselyn Range, U.S. (new record); Pole vault: Rev. Bob Richards, U.S. (tied record); Discus: Fortune Gordien, U.S. (new record); Hammer throw: Bob Backus, U.S. (new record); Shot-put: Parry O'Brien, U.S. (new record) Javelin: Bud Held, U.S. (new record); Decathlon: Rafer Johnson, U.S. (new record); 400 metre relay: U.S. (new record); Hop, step and jump: Adhemar Ferreira Da Silva, Brazil. (World record), 1600 metre relay: U.S. (new record); Marathon: Doroteo Mateo Flores, Guatemala.

Rafer Johnson crowned his young career by winning the Pan-American Games Decathlon championship. Although he scored only eight points in the final event (1500 metre run), Johnson set a new Games record with 6,994 points. The old mark set by Herman Figueroa of Chile, was 6,610. The Chilian scored 5,740, third behind Rev. Richards, 6886 pts.

In winning, Johnson triumphed over Richards, who decided not to run in the 1500 metres after he and Johnson were just about even at the end of nine events. Johnson, a student at University of California, won seven out of the 10 events that make up the decathlon.

Argentina tried but failed to narrow the gap on the United States, leading in the unofficial scoring in the Games by a tremendous margin.

The Argentines picked up four gold medals in rowing and one in swimming, but it was not enough as the all-around strength of the U.S. Athletic crew added another 115 points for an over-all total of 685 in one week of competition. Argentina's 87 points made a total of 295 for second place, followed by Mexico with 222 and Chile with 110.

Other scores were: Brazil 76½; Venezuela 67; Cuba 55; Uruguay 27; Dutch West Indies 22; Canada 21; Puerto Rico 20; Jamaica 19; Colombia 17; Panama 15; Guatemala 14; Trinidad 4½; Paraguay 4; El Salvador 3; Costa Rica, Bahamas, Haiti and the Dominican Republic failed to score.

Brazil defeated Pan-American basketball champions Argentina, 61 to 52, in the men's division of the Games last night. The U.S. "All-American" girls basketball team swept to its sixth straight Games victory last night, swamping Mexico, 63-35.

The U.S. captured four of the gold medals in the wrestling competition, with the other four going to Argentina.

Standings in Games Water Polo Competition are:—

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Argentina	4	1
Brasil	4	1
U.S.	3	2
Mexico	1	4
Dutch West Indies	0	4

Results: Argentina 5, U.S. 4; Brasil 7, Mexico 1.

Aussie Champion Loses

SYDNEY, Tuesday (UP). — Ramon Fuentes, Los Angeles fighter, defeated George Barnes, Australian and British Empire welterweight champion, in a 12-round bout on Sunday.

Barnes had the edge for the first nine rounds, in the opinion of ringside observers, but he tired badly in the last three.

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Mt. Cana'an	69	7	17	20
Tiberias	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Haifa Port	60	14	[illegible]	21
Natanya	[illegible]	9	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tel Aviv Port	75	10	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lydda Airport	64	6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jerusalem	[illegible]	6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Beersheba	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Eilat	33	12	[illegible]	[illegible]

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IMPROVEMENTS IN the security arrangements of 40 out of 48 railway crossings examined by the public committee appointed to consider the problem will shortly be completed, the Ministry of Transport has announced. The remaining eight crossings are included in the railways' plan for the installation of modern light signals next year.

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A STEN GUN was stolen from the home of a Tifrah settler, near Beersheba, on Sunday night. **AN ISRAEL BEDUIN**, Mohammed Ali Salim el Hawashly, of the Abu Regaig tribe, was arrested yesterday for illegal possession of a British rifle and 23 bullets. The rifle was confiscated.

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40 TONS of raisins are to be exported this year, as compared with eight tons last year, the Manufacturers Association has announced. Among the buyers are Cyprus, Finland, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Peru, Australia and New Zealand.

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THE DISTRIBUTION of Scrolls of the Law by the Ministry for Religious Affairs to synagogues and immigrant settlements for the Passover holiday, will take place at 1 p.m. today on Mt. Zion.

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THE PRICE of plain and chocolate-coated ice-cream bars will remain at 50 and 85 pruta respectively, as in the past two years, the General Merchants Association has announced.

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FOR BREAKING into a store in Beersheba in January, 1954, and stealing eight radios and several blankets, Yosef Gross, 21, and Zvi Gutman, 34, were yesterday sentenced to two years in prison each by the Jerusalem District Court.

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A PREFACE by the Prime Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, appears in the Album of the volunteers of the Jewish Brigade, which has recently been published by Yavneh.

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THE APPLICATION of the impresario, Mr. Gillon, to stop the performances of the Ballet Olga Sial at the Ziratron, has been rejected by District Judge E. Malchi. Mr. Gillon had claimed that there was a breach of contract between himself and the Ziratron management.

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THE GIDEON GRUSHKIN prize was awarded to Ruth Naftali, of the graduating class of the Beit Hakerem Secondary School, Jerusalem, for her essay, "The Problem of Minorities in Israel in the Discussions of the Second Knesset," at a ceremony at the School on Friday. Gideon Grushkin, a graduate of the School, fell during the War of Independence.

HIGHER INSURANCE RATES FOR CARS

Higher motor-car insurance tariffs were adopted by the Israel Insurance Association at their general meeting last week.

The new tariffs affect full third-party liability and comprehensive (Casco) policies. Coverage for third party personal insurance only (Act) has not been changed, as negotiations with the proper authorities have not been concluded. A rise of 200 per cent in this class has been requested because of the heavy losses suffered in the past two years.

Special emphasis is now placed on rates for the first IL1,000 insured value, which has been raised by approximately 150 per cent, while the rate per additional thousand has been cut by two-thirds. Examples for the first IL1,000 of comprehensive policies:

	old rate	new rate
Private cars, 10 H.P. (U.K. and continental cars)	[illegible]	[illegible]
30 H.P. (American cars)	104.—	[illegible]
Taxis (30 H.P. + 6 passengers)	112.—	[illegible]
Trucks (30 H.P.)	[illegible]	[illegible]

The rate for additional value over the first IL1,000 has been decreased to 1.2 per cent (old rate, 3.25 per cent). Thus, the increase for a total insurance value of IL5,000 is as follows:

	old rate	new rate
Private cars, 10 H.P.	[illegible]	[illegible]
30 H.P.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Taxis (30 H.P. + 6 passengers)	[illegible]	[illegible]
Trucks	[illegible]	[illegible]

For cars valued above IL5,000, the difference is, of course, smaller and tends to disappear. At the same time, registration fees have been cut from 15 to six per cent.

Montor to Promote Private Investments

Jerusalem Post Staff

Mr. Henry Montor is due to leave on Friday to return to New York, to wind up the affairs of the American Finance and Development Corporation as underwriters of the Israel Bond Issue, prior to handing over the new organization to its successors.

The date of transfer has been fixed for May 15, when Mr. Montor and his associates will be free to engage in fresh activity in Israel's behalf.

It is understood that the group has in mind promoting capital investment in industry in this country.

It would be premature to forecast the shape of this promotion, but it is learned that the group proposes to channel capital to Israeli enterprises in the "private" sector.

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9 Ships Idle Off Haifa

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday.—The Kishon harbour deadlock continues unsolved and this evening, nine ships are lying in Haifa Bay waiting to be unloaded. Four are small and under orders to proceed to Kishon. Not since 1952 have so many vessels been lying outside the port.

Port experts point out the great cost this relapse is causing in both local and foreign currency. They maintain that the operation of the Kishon harbour as an auxiliary port at a time when Haifa port can cope with the flow of cargo is sheer duplication and serves no useful public purpose.

A spokesman of the Bayside Corporation and Associates said that it was for the Government to take the necessary steps to put the Kishon harbour into service and under their concession agreement they would claim compensation for every ton less than the 80,000 tons a year guaranteed them.

Fuel and Water

Fuel and water could now be supplied to ships at Kishon and a railway siding would be provided within three months, they said in reply to arguments that unloading there involved higher expenses. They would also provide a bus and taxi service for shipping agents personnel and agents. "We shall not take the United Port Services Company in as partners," they said. They implied that the chief opponent to the use of the new harbour was that company which has resisted for over two months the Bayside Corporation's demand to employ its own stevedores.

Shipping agents are to hold an emergency meeting tomorrow to discuss the situation and their stand on the Transport Ministry's withholding of port services from ships represented by objectors to the new port.

Haifa Driver Cleared In Soldiers' Deaths

HAIFA, Tuesday.—District Court Judge E. Sionim today cleared Dr. Yehuda Orshan, 39, of Haifa, of having caused the death of three soldiers on the Tel Aviv highway near the Carmel beach on February 8 last year.

Dr. Orshan, blinded by an oncoming car, ran into a detachment of soldiers marching along the road. He suffered shock and was taken to hospital.

"It appears that this terrible accident was caused by objective reasons over which the accused had no control, and I cannot say that he acted negligently and culpably," the Judge said.

Judge Sionim stressed that the soldiers had marched along the wrong side of the road on a dark and rainy night without warning lights and in dark camouflage uniform. At least one line of the soldiers had been marching on the road about one metre from the edge. The blinding lights of another vehicle had prevented Dr. Orshan from seeing the soldiers. When he did he braked sharply and swerved to the left. Every careful driver would have acted likewise, the Judge said in his verdict.

The detachment of soldiers marched in three, were tired and did not maintain strict marching discipline. The accused was represented by advocates Y. Doron and Tousia Cohen.

M.K.s DEFEND KUPAT HOLIM; Autopsies Still an Issue

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Kupat Holim and autopsies were the chief subjects in the finale of the Knesset debate on the budgets of the Ministries of Health and Social Welfare yesterday.

The Sick Fund of the Histadrut, which had been attacked on Monday by the Minister of Health, Mr. J. Serlin, for allegedly standing in the way of a national health scheme was defended by Mr. B. Mintz (Poalei Agudat Yisrael), and Mr. A. Harzfeld (Mapai). Both praised the pioneer efforts of Kupat Holim, and Mr. Mintz suggested that it was time to end the fruitless debate on this subject.

The Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, Mr. Z. Warhaftig, who touched off the discussion of autopsies last week, stated yesterday that only after Mr. Serlin had ignored his letters, dating as far back as January, 1954, complaining of unnecessary autopsies, did he bring the matter before the Knesset Interior and Services Committee.

In September and again in November the Committee had requested a report from the Minister of Health on this subject, but it was not until Monday that he announced a few of the findings of the committee he had appointed. Mr. Warhaftig demanded the publication of the report, to show whether his charges had been justified. He added that he received complaints day after day naming specific cases where autopsies were performed on bodies of persons 75 and 80 years old.

Mr. Serlin stated yesterday that he had no objection to the appointment of a parliamentary committee to investigate whether the Anatomy and Pathology Law was being observed.

Commenting on the suggestion that had been made to conscript physicians for service in villages and border settlements, the Minister said that, in addition to this being a rather drastic measure for a democratic State, it would not solve the problem, if only from the standpoint of numbers.

Another question to be considered was whether it made sense to send only young doctors to the villages, and thus add to their handicap of inexperience that of lack of suitable equipment.

The Minister for Social Welfare, Mr. Moshe Shapiro, devoted the bulk of his remarks to replying to Mrs. J. Twersky (Mapai) who had asked what had been done about the reports of the experts who had studied the administration of the Ministry. The answer was that the reports had resulted in a reorganization of the Ministry, with the expansion of districts and regional offices.

As to the IL25,000 which Mrs. Twersky had charged the Ministry had allocated to institutions over which it had no control, Mr. Shapiro stated that the sum in question had gone to yeshivot where the students also lived. Thousands of students from poverty-stricken families attended these yeshivot, and the Minister accepted the full responsibility for having granted the funds. "I will continue to commit such crimes as long as I am able," he added.

The Speaker received Mr. Henry Montor who visited the Knesset yesterday.

'Broad Markets' Waiting in East

China and other Far Eastern countries represent a broad potential market for Israel's industrial products. This was the general impression of Israel's trade delegation to China which returned from a tour of the Far East recently.

Four members of the delegation, which was headed by Israel's Minister to Burma, Mr. David Hacohen, told a press conference about trade opportunities offered not only by China, but also by Thailand and the Philippines, which they visited during their trip. They were Dr. Daniel Lewin, head of the Foreign Ministry's Asian Division, Mr. Moshe Bejarano of the Manufacturers Association, Mr. Joseph Zarhin of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and Mr. M. de Shalit, Assistant to the Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office.

Israel's delegation was warmly received in China, and given every facility to visit different parts of the country. The Chinese expressed interest in Israel products, and were surprised to learn of the extent and variety of her industrial products. When members of the Israel delegation wryly pointed to the disproportion in size between Israel and China, a country of 600 millions, Chinese officials said they realized this, but were certain that a mutually beneficial trade could nevertheless be conducted.

A Chinese trade delegation was invited to visit Israel, but the exact date of its arrival is not known. The talks were only exploratory, but a shipload of locally-produced goods will leave Haifa Port for China some time next month.

The Chinese were interested in pharmaceuticals, metal products, automobile spare parts, tires, glass products, chemicals and plastics.

Members of the delegation who visited the Philippines came away with the impression that the time is ripe for establishing broader trade relations with that country. While some of its tariffs are still discriminatory in favour of U.S. products, this practice is being eliminated and within two years should no longer be a problem.

Thailand, the delegates said, with no industry of her own, could be a market for 90 per cent of the industrial products manufactured here. However, while Israel could compete in quality and price, the difficulty was in introducing her goods in a country where much of the trade has already been cornered by foreign firms of long standing.

LIFE IN THE NEGEV 6,000 YEARS AGO

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday.—Light on life in the Negev 5,000 to 6,000 years ago was shed here last night by M. Jean Perrot in a lecture on his excavations of seven Chalcolithic settlements at Bir Abu Mattar near here.

Remains of Chalcolithic vessels, tools and figures of unknown design made of bone, were found by the French archaeologist, who plans to return here next October to continue the excavations.

The settlements had a copper smelting industry, the first and only one found in this region. It is presumed that the copper ore was brought from Trans-Jordan.

THIRD OF REPARATIONS TO BE SPENT ON FUEL

Some 75m. marks out of the 250m. marks which Israel is to receive from West Germany under Reparations in the 1955/56 fiscal year, will be set aside for fuel, the Director-General of the Ministry of Finance, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, said yesterday in Jerusalem.

He confirmed that his Ministry was studying both the possibility of buying in England three aircraft for El Al at a cost of about £3m. and the possibility of making a cash payment to save the interest incumbent on loans.

Direct Voting Planned For Jerusalem Mayoralty

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The next Mayor of Jerusalem will be elected directly by the citizens and will have sole executive power in municipal affairs according to a new plan drawn up by the Ministry of Interior.

The plan also reduces the number of Councillors from 21 to 15, and gives them legislative rights and the power of overriding the mayor's veto by a two-thirds vote.

These are the essential points in a draft which has been handed to the Rosen Committee which has to a large extent already approved it.

The committee under the chairmanship of the Minister of Justice, Mr Pinhas Rosen, was set up by the Cabinet 10 days ago to examine the feasibility of implementing the recommendations of the Cheshin Commission. These recommendations have been shelved in the Ministry of Interior for almost two years. The Rosen Committee is to report back to the Cabinet on Sunday.

The Ministry's proposal was formulated after a thorough study of the charters of several American cities, including Hartford, Conn., and Los Angeles, Cal., and some Canadian cities.

The plan calls for the election of the Mayor and the Council on separate ballots, the latter to be voted as at present. Terms of office would be four years.

The mayor will be responsible for calling the Council into session and for its agenda. He will vote only in the case of ties. The mayor will be legally entitled to engage and to dismiss officials. He will submit the budget to the Council which may only reduce it, not increase it.

Two of the unsolved problems of the plan are the method of electing and functions of the vice-mayor. These are now being studied.

The plan, which needs Knesset approval, applies only to the capital.

Kariv Fails In Hunt for Allies

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A plea by Mayor Y. Kariv of Jerusalem to all parties to come to an agreement before the Municipal Council is dissolved was yesterday refused by the two largest parties, the Histadrut and the General Zionists, without whose support no such agreement is possible.

Mr. Mordecai Fridmann, head of the Histadrut faction, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he saw "no other way but to dissolve the Council. It was impossible to ask the Histadrut faction several months before elections, to join any coalition. The sole possibility to avert dissolution is for Herut and the General Zionists to rejoin the former coalition."

A General Zionist spokesman said that Mr. Kariv had been informed that before any consultations were held, he would have to call a Council session with the first item on the agenda being his removal from office. The second item could be a discussion of the situation thus created.

Youth Aliya Marks Children's Day

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—News of a change for the better in the Rumanian Government's attitude towards immigration to Israel has been received in recent weeks, Mr. Moshe Kol, Director of Youth Aliya, told the press here today.

Mr. Kol appealed to the governments of Poland and Hungary to let Jewish war orphans be united with their relatives here. In 1948, he said, there were 1,000 Jewish children in government orphanages in Poland and 500 in Hungary.

The press conference had been called in connection with the celebration of Children's Day now going on all over the world.

Today, Youth Aliya was caring for 13,000 children, almost all of them between the ages of 10 and 17½, he reported. They were in 250 places in every part of the country.

Child and Youth Aliya day celebrations in Jerusalem were attended by over 800 children from clubs and various institutions, who took part in parades, sports contests and cultural activities.

Art exhibitions, sports and quiz competitions will be featured tomorrow at 12 district conventions of 13,000 Youth Aliya wards.

A rally is to be held at the Ohel Shem Hall in Tel Aviv tomorrow evening.

Tanks Test New High Load Tire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday.—Two 220 h.p. Sherman tanks—stripped of arms and armour—heaved and strained in opposite directions, their chains turned on the spot and churned up the ground, but the truck tire to which they were tied with a steel rope, held them fast and emerged unharmed from the gruelling test.

The experiment was performed in the Bayside Area this morning on the "Hi-Load Special" tire, a new product of the Alliance Tire and Rubber Company of Hadera, which is on the local and foreign market as of today.

The tough, heavy-duty tire is the result of more than two years' joint research by Alliance and its technical service advisers, the Dayton Rubber Company of Dayton, Ohio. It was designed in answer to the Israel practice of overloading buses and trucks to a degree unparalleled elsewhere.

A new tread design and a 20 per cent thicker tread make for greater manoeuvrability and add to the Hi-Load Special's mileage capacity, the makers claim. It can endure a load of three-and-a-half tons, as against the two-and-a-half tons of the ordinary truck tire.

Cables in Brief

NEGRO CHAMPION.—Mr. Walter White, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People, has died at the age of 61. Mr. White had been an active champion of his people for most of his life.

URANIUM.—Australia has shipped its first consignment of commercial uranium to the United States.

BLAZE.—More than 200 persons were homeless after a fire which swept the Canadian town of Nicolet yesterday. The damage is estimated at $1m.

FIRE.—Security police and firemen from four towns beat down a blaze at the British atomic weapons research station on Monday night at Aldermaston, West of London. Due to security measures no information could be given on the cause of the fire or extent of damage.

ENVOY.—Radio Peking said yesterday that Cha Cheng-wen has been appointed China's Minister to Denmark.

Italy, Lebanon Raise Legations to Embassies

ROME, Tuesday (UP).—Lebanon and Italy have decided to raise to the rank of Embassy status their present Legations in each other's country.

The decision, made known last night through Italy's Foreign Ministry, came only a few hours after the arrival of the Lebanese President, Camille Chamoun, on an official five-day state visit to Italy.

Diplomatic circles immediately speculated that this was not only an indication of increased commercial and cultural ties between the two nations, but also foreshadowed a possible orientation of Lebanon "Westward" in her defence policy.

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Workers Block Move Of Factory from Safad

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD, Tuesday.—Workers of this town, led by leaders of Histadrut institutions, this evening prevented the dismantling of the Arigei Tsfat textile factory whose owner wanted to transfer it to Tel Aviv.

At 5.30, a group of porters started dismantling and loading weaving machines onto a lorry. When this became known to the local Histadrut leaders they organized a group of the town's workers who took the machines off the lorry and returned them to the plant. Scores of other workers arrived on the scene to help and to picket the plant.

The Arigei Tsfat plant was established in 1950 by Messrs. Gold and Engel with capital Mr. Gold had brought from Rumania. The plant gave regular employment to 25 workers and received Labour Council assistance in acquiring raw materials so as to ease the serious labour situation in the town. Last July, the partnership broke up allegedly because Mr. Gold refused to move the plant to Tel Aviv. The plant then closed and the Interministerial Committee for the Development of Safad offered a generous loan to set the factory working again. The owners blame high transport costs and the unsuitable position of Safad for market competition.

Many of the textile workers who were trained at the plant have left Safad to seek work elsewhere.

Mixed Boatload Of Immigrants

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday.—Just over 200 newcomers arrived this morning in the s.s. Artsa. Most of them, who came from North Africa, were transferred to development areas on disembarkation. Among them were six returning emigrants. Eight persons came from Western Europe and another eight from Hungary, the latter all elderly.

From Lima, Peru, came Mrs. Hetta Ackerman, 41, who, after 17 years of separation, embraced her mother who has been living here. Both parted at Czernowitz, leaving for two different continents.

Among the arrivals was a family from Poland, Bruno and Elaine Glueck and their three children. Mr. Glueck said he was a research chemist in a government institute and his wife a reporter for Radio Warsaw's English section. Both had gone from Germany to Poland to look for surviving relatives and had only just been allowed to leave, they said.

Gelber Botany Library At New H.U. Campus

The library in Canada Hall, the botany building on the site of the new Hebrew University campus being erected by Canadian Hadassah (Wizo), will be named for Mr. Edward E. Gelber and his wife, Dr. Hannah Gelber, on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary.

Canadian Hadassah's decision was announced by the President of the University, Professor B. Mazar, at a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Gelber on Monday afternoon at the King David Hotel to mark the anniversary.

Mr. Gelber is President of the Zionist Organization of Canada and a member of the University's Board of Governors. Last year he established the Moses Gelber Scholarship Fund at the University, to the value of IL10,000, in memory of his father. Dr. Gelber is the representative of Canadian Hadassah in Israel.

BERGMAN, WELLES WILLING TO TOUR

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday.—Miss Ingrid Bergman would appear here in Shaw's "Saint Joan" and Mr. Orson Welles in "Macbeth" and "Othello" if agreement can be reached with local theatres, Mr Moshe Wallin, the impresario, said on arrival by Air France today from a tour of Britain and France. Mr. Wallin said that Mr. Lionel Hampton will return for a series of concerts in December.

HAIFA HAPOEL MARKS 30TH BIRTHDAY

HAIFA, Tuesday.—The Haifa Hapoel sports club tonight celebrated its 30th birthday with a reception at the splendid new Hapoel centre here. Mayor Abba Khoushy and local Histadrut leaders took part.

The club trains more than 1,000 sportsmen every week and has 600 other non-active members. It has branches in 34 industrial plants.

South Greets Mrs. Roosevelt

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Tuesday.—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt today toured the South, starting with a women soldiers' training depot. She later visited Mishmar Ayalon, going down the hill to no-man's-land in the Latrun area, and spoke with several inhabitants of the settlement.

At the Weizmann Institute, here, Mrs. Roosevelt was received by Professor C. L. Pekeris, Chairman of the Scientific Committee. She toured the Sieff Institute and was shown Dr. Weizmann's laboratory and room. She paid her respects at the grave of the late President, after which she called on Mrs. Vera Weizmann at her home.

Together, they motored to Ayanot agricultural school near Ness Ziona, where they were met by delegations of World Wizo and the Working Women's Council who support the school. They watched some 600 schoolchildren from nine establishments taking part in sports and dance competitions.

Mr. M. Kol, head of Youth Aliya, welcomed the guests, and Miss Ada Maimon M.K. founder of Ayanot, told the story of the school in which 300 children are given instruction. Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Weizmann were presented with flowers by the pupils.

Mrs. Roosevelt and her party, which included Mrs. Moshe Dayan, and Mrs. Trude W. Lash, also visited the Yuval Gad factory near Migdal Ashkelon and, on their way back to the Ramat Aviv hotel, stopped at N'veh Oved, near Ness Ziona, where Mrs. Roosevelt talked with a family of immigrants from the Yemen.

The afternoon tour was under the partial auspices of the Bond Drive.

The audience at tonight's concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra at the Ohel Shem Auditorium, Tel Aviv, which was dedicated to Mrs. Roosevelt, gave her a standing ovation on her entry.

Mrs. Roosevelt was received by the Minister of Justice and Mrs. P. Rosen. Among the other guests were the U.S. Ambassador and Mrs. Lawson.

The concert, the first in the eighth special series, was conducted by Mr. Fernando Previtali and the soloist was Miss Gioconda de Vito.

On Saturday night, Mrs. Roosevelt is to give her only lecture on this tour. She will talk on the role of the U.N. in the maintenance of peace at the Z.O.A. House, under the auspices of the ZOA Programme Committee and the Israel Association for the U.N.

JERUSALEM VOTERS LIST FOR DISPLAY

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A decision to display the Voters Register in 19 places in Jerusalem and in several places in the Jerusalem Corridor for 10 days was taken yesterday at the first meeting of the Jerusalem Regional Election Committee for the Third Knesset.

The delegates were addressed by Justice Agranat, chairman of the Central Election Committee, and Mr. Asher Levitsky, the advocate, who presided.

HERZLIA ASKS PAY FOR TWO DEPUTY CHAIRMEN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KFAR SABA, Tuesday.—The Herzlia Local Council decided last night to ask the Minister of Interior to approve salaries for two Deputy Chairmen, in spite of the Minister's ruling that only one deputy can be paid out of public funds. Herzlia councillors argued, had two paid Deputy Chairmen before Mr. Rokach had made his decision. This issue is holding up preparation of the township's budget.

The Ra'anana Local Council passed a IL284,000 ordinary budget and a IL200,000 development budget last night.

ANOTHER CHILD ROAD VICTIM

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—A four-year-old boy was run over and killed by a Dan bus in the Salame Quarter here today. According to the police, Yehoshua Weismann was crossing the street when hit by the vehicle driven by R. Mizrahi, who has been detained.

DIES IN FALL

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Paul Schiller, 67, of Rehov Pinsker, fell or jumped to his death from the roof of a five-storey house in Allenby Road at noon today.

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Abraham Moreno, 57, was found dead today, hanging in the back room of his cafeteria in Jerusalem Boulevard, Jaffa.

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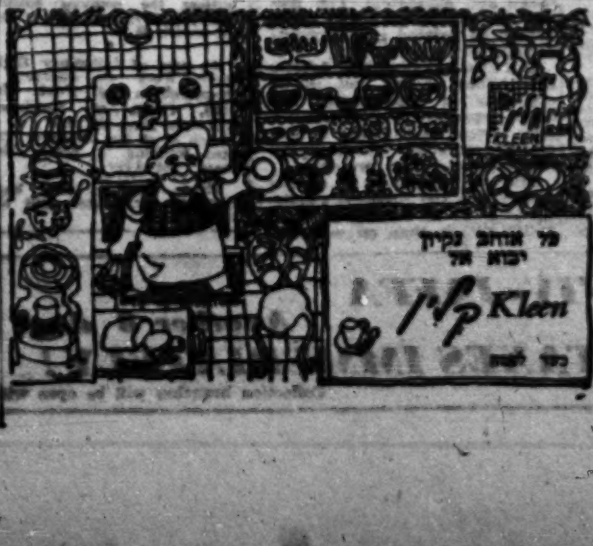

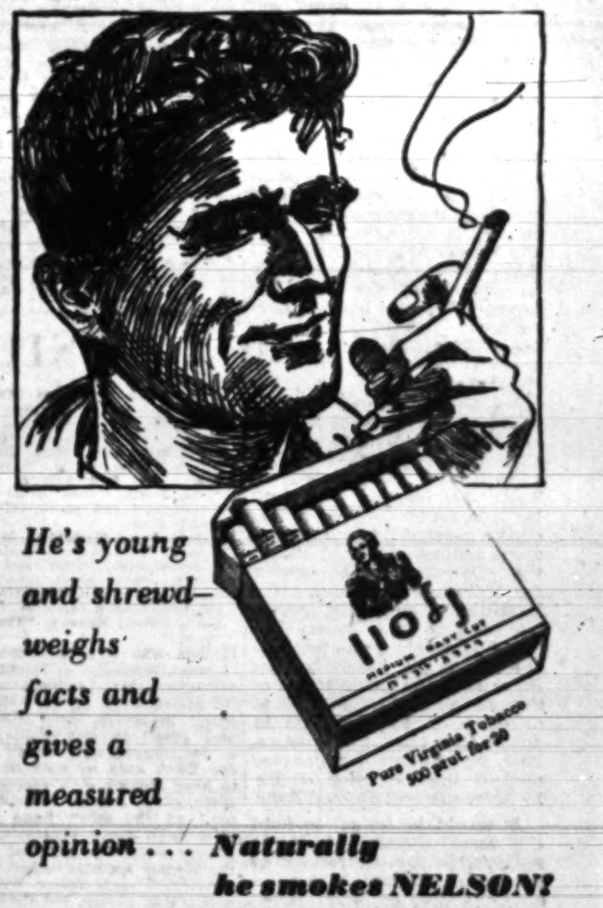
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One-sided Internationalism

DURING the last week or so reports of an appeal for peace with Israel, said to have been issued by the Arab Communist parties, have appeared in the Israel press as well as abroad. These appeals have allegedly asked for the recognition of Israel and for the opening of peace talks without prior conditions. The first report came from French newspapers quoting the Lebanese "Al Faiha" and "Al Nas" to the effect that the Syrian and Lebanese Communist parties had issued a joint call to all Arab states to recognize the State of Israel and open peace negotiations. Subsequently, the London "Jewish Chronicle" reported that the same news had been broadcast by Radio Warsaw. In Israel, "Al Hamishmar," the mouthpiece of Mapam, took up the same report in an editorial (again quoting "Al Faiha") and called it an event of the utmost importance. "Kol Ha'am," the Israel Communist organ, commented editorially in the same vein and added further details about the "struggle for peace" (with Israel) in Egypt, Iraq and elsewhere.

While holding no brief for the Communist parties in the Arab countries, this news, if substantially correct, would have been reason for gratification, like any evidence of readiness to make peace and establish neighbourly relations. Unfortunately, examination of the Communist press in the Arab countries shows that there is no truth in these reports. The Syrian and Lebanese Communists have not adopted any resolutions whatsoever of late favouring the recognition of Israel and direct peace talks. The only authority for this rumour is "Al Faiha" and "Al Nas," both of them violently anti-Communist. They have quite unjustly attributed peaceful intentions towards Israel to their political enemies. The official Communist press in Syria and Lebanon in fact vies with the other newspapers in anti-Israel agitation, and the Lebanese party organ "Al Akhbar" has recently pleaded in favour of the economic boycott of Israel and has persistently defined Israel (not the "Sharett-Rokach government") as aggressive and "imperialist." On the other hand there has not been a word of criticism of Syrian, Egyptian or Jordan aggression against Israel. In Syria the official Communist "At Talia" has taken a very similar line supporting the policy of the present Syrian government against Israel. In Egypt, the Democratic Movement for National Liberation (the Egyptian Communist party) has been reported in Israel as "struggling for peace negotiations," but it certainly has not done so in the publications of that movement. Contrary to Communist press reports in Israel there has, for instance, been no protest whatsoever against the execution of Dr M. Marzouk and Shmuel Azar.

It would be unjust to hold the Israel Communist Party responsible for the refusal of the Arab Communists to come out in favour of direct peace negotiations with us. But it should be on the record that the Israel Communists have not been able to persuade even their sister parties in the Arab countries to take a stand in favour of furthering peace. As things are now, their own "internationalism" has become an extremely one-sided affair. According to theory, Communists must first of all fight the "enemy at home." But in fact the Israel Communists campaign against "war-mongers" at home — and the Arab Communists join them in the attack, all of it under the banner of internationalism, of course. The Israel "peace movement" has been collecting signatures in favour of peace with the Arab countries. Would it not be an admirable idea if they were to sponsor a parallel drive for peace with Israel in the Arab countries? Or remind Syrian Cabinet Ministers who also belong to the "peace movement" of their obligations in this respect?

Question Mark: Policy on Quemoy

By JESSE ZEL LURIE

NEW YORK. — IF Israel readers are puzzled and confused about American policy on Formosa and the off-shore islands of Quemoy and Matsu, consider the plight of American officials who must try to act on that policy, or of American pressmen trying to interpret it to the public. Will the U.S. defend Quemoy and Matsu? How will the U.S. defend Quemoy and Matsu?

Ever since the speeches of Dulles and Eden, the debate and speculation have become more and more muddled, but it remained for the "New York Herald-Tribune" on Monday, March 14, to reach the apex of enlightened comment. On that day, the venerable Republican newspaper found itself in possession of two columns by its two top Washington analysts, Roscoe Drummond and Stewart Alsop, on the same subject — Formosa. Each man was sure he had pinpointed Administration policy, but how diverse were their conclusions! The "Tribune" took the forthright way out by printing both on the front page with a boxed heading.

Said Mr. Drummond, Chief of the "Herald Tribune's" Washington bureau: "Highest Administration opinion... is rapidly jelling behind the policy that the United States must prevent further Communist advance anywhere in the Pacific.

"This means anywhere, not just almost anywhere.

"It means that the Administration is today more convinced than ever that the Nationalist-held islands of Quemoy and Matsu should not be conceded to the Communists and, therefore, that their defence against an attack pointed at Formosa may well require American air and naval power. It means that the nation must be more ready than it now is, psychologically at least, to accept the real possibility of war with Red China — if we intend to stand firm.

"It can be stated unqualifiedly that President Eisenhower, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and the Joint Chiefs of Staff are united in their judgment that a firm stand against any new Communist advance is essential."

On the other hand Mr. Alsop says: "American policy in the present crisis over Formosa and the off-shore islands has been much criticised as fuzzy and obscure. But it is not really so mysterious after all — except in one vitally important respect.

'Object: Cease-Fire'

"In the first place there is not the slightest doubt about the real underlying objective of American policy in the Formosa area. The objective is a cease-fire in the Formosa Straits.

"No one imagines, least of all Secretary of State Dulles, that the Chinese Communists are going to sign a formal treaty abandoning their claims to Formosa. Such a treaty would hardly be worth much, anyway. What is hoped for, instead, is a kind of *de facto*, informal understanding — a private deal, backed by force and realities of geography, and thus having some real meaning.

"Secretary Dulles, when he met British Foreign Minister Sir Anthony Eden in Bangkok, made it perfectly clear that he would accept this sort of deal. He also made it clear, without spelling it out in so many words, that in order to get such a deal the United States is prepared to 'persuade' Chiang Kai-shek to withdraw his forces from Quemoy and Matsu. But this cannot be done rudely or suddenly. A lull of several months is needed to make it possible to do the unpleasant job of persuasion gradually and with a saving of face all round."

CHINA
FORMOSA STRAIT
FORMOSA
Swatow

A glossary of the islands now prominent in the news has been issued by the Chinese Nationalist news office in London. Formosa (the Portuguese name meaning Beautiful) is in Chinese Taiwan, Terraced Bay; Tachen means Big Chen; Quemoy, Golden Gate; Matsu, Horse Ancestor; Yikiangshan, One River Hill. Most of these are pronounced more or less as spelled. But Yikiangshan, which also fell to the Communists, is a trap — in Chinese, Yeejahngshan.

Mr. Drummond, however, states that Representative Richards, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, is mistaken when he says that the Administration is relinquishing the idea of defending Quemoy and Matsu and that there is a split between Eisenhower and Dulles on this issue.

Mr. Alsop says that the Dulles-Eden speeches were not contradictory, but rather a "Tweedledum-and-Tweedledee act with Tweedledee Eden offering the carrot to the Chinese donkey, while Tweedledum Dulles brandished the stick." He adds that Eden's offer — the off-shore islands in return for a cease-fire in the Straits—was made with the full approval of Dulles.

The facts of Administration policy, as Mr. Drummond sees them, are that: 1, there has been a reappraisal of United States policy towards South-East Asia and the outcome is on the side of strengthening... United States determination to resist any further Communist aggression; 2, the divergence in opinion is "not between the President and the Secretary of State... the divergence is between the President and Secretary of Defence Charles E. Wilson."

'Can Be Held'

According to Mr Alsop, the Joint Chiefs of Staff believe that the off-shore islands can be held "if the United States is prepared to mount heavy air attacks on mainland installations, using nuclear weapons if necessary... But there has never been a formal decision on this point — the issue has never been faced up to. This is the decision — and a nightmarish one — which is quite genuinely up to the President. The President naturally devoutly hopes that it will never be necessary..."

Mr. Drummond also says that it is still not the intention of the President to define the circumstances under which American power would be used to defend Quemoy and Matsu, but his reasons differ. "The circumstances may not require it; we don't want to widen disagreements with our allies and we know that the actuality of a Communist attack... would tend to unite Western resistance more than all the theoretical arguments in the world."

Also, "Conceivably Chiang Kai-shek's forces by themselves could successfully resist the attack and we are trying to put them into a position to do so."

"There should," says Mr. Drummond, "be no belittling the danger of war over Formosa. War may not come but the initiative for aggression is with the Communists. Suppose the Communists make a major strike at Quemoy. Obviously Chiang's planes, based on Formosa, will go into action... If the Communists follow the principle of 'hot pursuit,' they will try to chase Chiang's fighter planes to their Formosa base and destroy a base we are committed to defend. Then we would almost certainly be in it. This is why a United States policy of firmness must rest upon a fuller public awareness of the risks."

While Mr. Alsop believes that some earnest behind-the-scenes efforts are being made for a face-saving solution of the problem, he is no more optimistic than Mr. Drummond about the eventual outcome. It seems that recently Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, the British Ambassador to Peiping, visited Foreign Minister Chou En-lai to feel him out on the islands-for-cease-fire proposal. He "was told flatly that the Chinese Communists meant to take not only Quemoy and Matsu but the Pescadores and Formosa — this year... This is precisely what the Chinese Communists have been telling all comers, public and private."

Says Mr. Alsop, "The whole thing may be some curious, illogical Oriental bluff. It is faintly encouraging that Chinese Communist propaganda about 'crushing' Formosa has slacked off in recent weeks. But it would surely be unwise to proceed on the assumption that the Communists are bluffing, or that the time of decision will never come."

When that time comes, what will the decision be? I don't know. You don't know. Possibly, Messrs. Dulles and Eden are not sure either. But one thing that is certain is that Messrs. Drummond and Alsop don't know... despite the sureness of their phrases.

Readers' Letters

MARRIAGE LAWS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Not only does Mr. Fishman, in his letter in today's issue, attempt to call 12.5 per cent a majority but in addition his statements show that he and others of similar views do not know the meaning and working of a true democracy. Its modern conception includes not only rule by the majority but above all a high regard for the private life of the individual.

In this century there have been only two countries in which a Jew was not allowed to marry a Christian: Nazi Germany and Israel. In the former, Hitler, who was democratically (?) elected by a majority of 52 per cent in 1933, immediately abolished every democratic principle; here, our local zealots, with barely one-eighth of the voters behind them, want to suppress any way of life different from their own.

Yours, etc.
H. LANGBANK

Haifa, March 8.

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MUSICAL DIARY

Jerusalem Collegium Musicum. Irina Maistrovoi, soprano; Roma Samsonov, mezzo-soprano; Aliza Lustig, contralto; Yehoshua Zohar, baritone; Peggy Hayman, Aryeh Mirkin, violins; Marc [illegible], cello; Max Lampel, organ; Eytan Lustig, piano; Arieh Sachs, harpsichord and piano (Y.M.C.A., March 21).

Buxtehude: Magnificat in Doric Mode; "Sicut Moses" Cantata for mezzo-soprano, violin and bass; Mozart: three short sonatas for organ, violins and bass; Old English and French terzettos for women's voices; Menotti: "The Telephone."

THIS was a programme that was decidedly different and attractive. Mr. Lampel's colourful registration of the "Magnificat," inventive, even demonic, and grand in architecture, left a deep impression. Small wonder Bach used to walk 50 miles to hear Buxtehude's sacred concerts each Advent. "Sicut Moses," on the other hand, could have been more expressive and precise ensemble playing, while the Mozart sonatas lacked transparency. The terzettos were an enchanting choice, but they were too intricate to be performed adequately, and Mr. Lustig's conducting of the three a capella singers was too much of a show.

A fitting complement and contrast to the first part of the bill, Gian-Carlo Menotti's sophisticated musical sketch was more robust in this version than the drawing-room conversation piece we reviewed as an American recording broadcast over Kol Yisrael a year ago. It was a regular miniature opera production with stage properties, except that two pianos were substituted for the chamber orchestra. The performance added a good deal of Jewish local colour and left the audience highly amused. Irina Maistrovoi's singing was competent, which could not be said about her baritone partner. *FRANGO*

Tel Aviv String Quartet: Partos, violin; [illegible], violin; [illegible], viola; [illegible], cello; [illegible], clarinet. (Museum, March 19). Boccherini: Quartet in D major; Beethoven: Quartet in C major, op.59, no.3; Brahms: Quintet for clarinet and strings, op. 115.

BOCCHERINI'S quartet did not impress us very favourably; it was as if the first violinist seemed bent upon forcing the pace, and the whole work, itself not particularly deep in spiritual content, gave the impression of being somewhat "at sea." The first movement of the C major quartet, on the other hand, was read with pace and straightforwardness. The introduction, in which rhythm is almost annulled, illustrated a wholesome degree of cooperation among the instrumentalists. The enormous fugal finale proved a fitting dynamic culmination to this enigmatic quartet.

The imaginative interpretation of the quintet appealed to us from the first bar. The serene and introspect first movement was rendered with admirable restraint, and we were deeply moved by the shy, reserved adagio, with its poignant song for clarinet, full of exquisite harmony. Much praise is due to Yona Ettlinger for an exhibition of remarkably fine musicianship. The variety of mood and texture of the last movement impressed itself indelibly upon our memory. *D. YADIN*

Haifa Chamber Music Society. [illegible], piano; David Gruenschlag, violin; Oedoen Partos, viola; Dr. Laszlo Vincze, cello (Beit [illegible], March 19). Beethoven: Trio in G major, op.1, no.2; Milhaud: Sonata no. 1; Alfredo Casella: Siciliana and Burlesca; Brahms: Quartet in G minor, op.25.

THE Vincze couple and Mr. Gruenschlag gave an outstanding reading of the Beethoven trio. But the evening was chiefly outstanding because of Mr. Partos' return to the Haifa concert stage. He rendered the Milhaud sonata on unpublished French themes of the 18th century with inimitable beauty of sound and expression. The pianist used a bit too much drive, though he painted a harmonious background colourfully.

The Casella piano trio follows conventional forms, but in its outbursts of passion and humour, especially in the Burlesca, they reveal the idiom of the modern composer and a skilful blend of past and present.

The craftsmanship of all the artists met the standard required with works relying on their polish rather than on [illegible] for their appeal. *G.-W.-B.*

Abroad

THE Dutch press has been practically unanimous in warm praise of the 12-year-old pianist, Daniel Barenboim, who performed Bach and Mozart at the Amsterdam Concert Hall on behalf of the Jewish National Fund and Youth Aliya on March 1. It stresses that the boy's playing would be considered outstanding even if he were an adult concert pianist. Calling his stability and his control "miraculous," the "Algemeen Handelsblad" perceives in his playing "nothing of mechanical, automatic hammering, nothing of the well-trained scheme of possibilities of expression and articulations."

Volunteer's Column

Announcement No. 1

The Management of Israel Railways has arranged for reduced train fares for [illegible] in Tel Aviv on March [illegible].

A special train leaves Haifa at 7.45 a.m. [illegible]

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As part of Volunteer [illegible] will take place at 10.30 a.m. on March 31 at the Chamber Theatre Building, [illegible] Tel Aviv.

Please come in large numbers. [illegible]

A Plea to Mr. Warhaftig

Religion's Place in Democracy

By DAVID JARVIS

A YOUNG Jew is hunger-striking for the right to marry the woman he loves. What would be needed to make Mr. Barak break his fast? A statement by Mr. Warhaftig in the Knesset that the Religious Bloc will not oppose the introduction of a bill instituting civil marriage.

Mr. Warhaftig says that a concession on this legal point would promote inter-marriage and the loss of Judaism. This is to put the cart before the horse. It is rather Mr. Warhaftig's refusal to consider a concession that is weakening the Jewish religion in Israel.

The reason is plain. By refusing, in his capacity as Cabinet Minister, to allow Mr. Barak to marry the girl of his choice, Mr. Warhaftig is declaring that he is not interested to allow Mr. Barak freedom of conscience. If the Government is to include the Religious Bloc, Mr. Barak must know that he will be told how to marry. I will be told what meat to eat, my neighbour will be told when he may drive his car, my doctor will be told how much to dissect. We shall not be just encouraged, urged or persuaded by the Rabbinate to live in accordance with Mr Warhaftig's principles. We shall be compelled to by the police.

In a democratic society a person is free to do what he pleases, so long as this does not interfere with the freedom and happiness of others.

Without democracy, Judaism might well not have managed to endure to the present day. It needed tolerance; and therefore preached it. Its survival indicated the downfall and failure of tyranny.

Social Obligations

The struggle of Judaism to live during the ages of oppression may well give cause for pride. Perhaps Mr. Warhaftig will quote this as a justification for maintaining iron rules unchanged from mediaeval times. But this constitutes a misunderstanding of the spirit behind Jewish survival. People died for the freedom to do as they wished. It would be a distortion now to make of that freedom a slavery. Judaism remained rigid in its rules and practices precisely because it had not authority to enforce its tenets over all the lands of the exile. Jews liked it rigid because much of their lives was spent outside it. It was not a fortress surrounding them that might become a prison; it was a retreat in which they could take refuge when they chose; and as such it had to be a stronghold.

Now that Jews have returned to their own land, their religion needs a reformation. Either it accepts democracy or it rejects it. The first way spells survival. Those who reject democracy in the name of the Torah are digging the grave of Judaism.

Fateful Decision

For what is the dilemma facing Mr. Barak? Either his girl or his creed. He has already stated that he wants authority to marry his girl, and has demonstrated the intensity of his conviction. If he is denied the legal means, does Mr. Warhaftig believe that this will strengthen his attachment to Judaism? On the contrary, Mr. Warhaftig is doing his best to make Mr. Barak see that his chosen life pattern and his chosen religious affiliation are incompatible. If Barak wishes to cling to the decision made by his conscience, he may find himself with the need not merely to renounce his Judaism, but to adopt another creed. For a man who does not belong to one of the recognised churches cannot get married at all in Israel...

I ought not to speak for Mr. Barak in this matter. For myself, I believe in certain principles — justice, truth, integrity, love, loyalty to the group, the family, the nation. It appears to me that the whole point of Judaism are its ethical splendours in the context of a relation with God. But I see no reason why I should not drive my car on the Sabbath. It is no effort to me; it is no servitude for the vehicle, since it is not a sentient being. But if I do, men spit at me in the name of Judaism. The orthodox faith has become a matter of weird forbids, shrill abuse at people who are minding their own business, wigs for women, a fine of IL.5 a bite on any tin of ham that might by chance have crept into a food parcel, a refusal of religious girls to serve the nation under any conditions whatsoever. It is enough to paralyse one's religious response.

Worst of all is this: we are commanded to do certain things, compelled by law to do them — things that are entirely matters of conscience. Judaism is suddenly revealed in another guise. Where one thought it to mean freedom, it turns out to be force. Where one found it a creed of people who personally wanted to worship in a certain way together, it stands as an uncompromising theocracy. More than that: principles are lost in a welter of formal observances.

Artificial Dilemma

Here then is the dilemma that Mr. Warhaftig has created; and I wish to pose it for his solution. The democratic way of life is rooted in a large majority of the Jews in Israel and overseas. Is it to be made a part of Judaism, or only an alternative to the Jewish faith?

It is defeatism to keep religious women in the home, cutting them off from all possibility of contact with the outside world. For if their parents had faith, they would gladly send their daughters into the armed forces — so that they should influence the irreligious and spread the splendid example of an ordered, pure and devotional life.

It is defeatism to torture Moshe Barak, Mr. Warhaftig. For if you believed in your creed, you would leave him free to act as he wished in the hope that he would bring his wife into the Jewish faith.

Judaism must not be locked in the past. It must speak to the living and speak their language. Most Jews crave the open air, the rich freedoms, the poetry, the new visions of our time. Do not force them to choose between all this and the museum. You will only find less and less [illegible] on the doorposts of the nation.

Yesterday's Press

Salem's Offer As Kite-Flying

MOST Tuesday newspapers commented on Major Salah Salem's "Negev speech" and for once there were no differences of opinion here between the various organs, from "Herut" to "Kol Ha'am."

"Davar" (Histadrut) notes the Arabs' sudden concern with the Negev after their age-old neglect of it. The Egyptian rulers know very well that they cannot get the Negev by force and they try therefore to make an object of barter of it in negotiations with the West. Their fantastic demand only shows how far they are from a realistic understanding of the situation, and in effect it has caused concern even in Amman, though Jordan would be the main "beneficiary" of the magnanimous Egyptian proposal.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) says that the very proposal is based on a contradiction: If the main issue is to establish direct land contact between Egypt and the other Arab countries, it would appear that the best solution would be a peace treaty between Israel and the Arabs solving free passage and the defence of the Negev on the basis of mutual agreement.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) suspects Major Salem's proposal may find favour in the eyes of the West, for which no Israel sacrifice will be too much to help achieve its "holy aim": The defence of the Middle East. The paper thinks that such a "peace project" will soon be forwarded by the State Department to Hakirya as our reward for the Government's support of the West.

"Ha'aretz" (non-party), on the other hand, doubts whether the Western Powers will be convinced by Major Salem's logic and expresses the opinion that there is no reason for undue excitement in Israel. Major Salem's main intention was to influence Jordan not to join the Turco-Iraqi pact. But Jordan knows that the Egyptian rulers cannot give them what is not theirs to give.

"Herut" believes that the establishment of a military basis in the Negev is an old British dream. The Government should make it abundantly clear that it will not give up any land. The only territorial changes which can be accepted are the establishment of Israel in its natural and historical frontiers.

"Omer" (Histadrut) says that Salem's proposal was supposed to provide a common basis for the co-existence of the two Arab military pacts. The paper notes that Major Salem is propaganda Minister and his declarations have to be taken with a grain of salt. But it is a fact that the two Arab military alliances are bringing a good deal of pressure on the West, maintaining that the Middle East can be defended only if Israel gives up. "Zmanim" (Progressive), "Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) and "Yediot Aharonot" deal with the situation in the Jerusalem municipality after the Cabinet decision to appoint a town council.

At the Cinema

IN "Behave Yourself" (Tel-Or, J'lem) trouble comes to the naive young husband (Farley Granger) mixed up with a gang because a dog runs after him. He is suspected of a cycle of murders by not only the police inspector (William Demarest) but also his mother-in-law (Margalo Gillmore). It's an uproariously funny farce. This is the first time Farley Granger appears in a comic role, and he acts like a thunderstorm. His eccentric mimicry sometimes rather recalls Dean Martin. The brilliant cast includes Francis L. Sullivan and Lon Chaney as uncommonly pleasant "tough guys." A cavalcade of laughter.

Metroscope Technicolor

"GIVE A Girl A Break" (Eden, J'lem) is a Metroscope Technicolor musical about a musical. The star goes off into hysterics during the rehearsals and has to be replaced three weeks before the premiere. There is a big competition and the decision has to be made between a renowned dancer (Marge Champion) and two debutantes. Debbie Reynolds is the winner. Once more we learn that nothing succeeds like success, or there's no business like show business. We liked the day-dream fantasies. Marge and Gower Champion are outstanding in their "Reel Tap" number and there is an "Applause, Applause" apotheosis. Kurt Kasznar is lovable as the fat composer. The lyrics are by Ira Gershwin and the music by Burt Lane. *FRANGO*

Prop Problem

"THE Saracen Blade" ([illegible], J'lem) is just another tin-armour romance like "Prince Valiant" or "The Black Knight" which we saw last week. Columbia has obviously fully amortised their Red Indian and Pirate stage props, and will inflict knightly adventures on us. Nothing but the title is left of Yerby's quite well-founded novel. Most of the astonishing blunders of this production would have been avoided had the producer only read the original book. The best part are the shots of the siege of [illegible] which were cut from another film in black and white, so that all the fighting goes on in the depth of night, while the spectators are shown in the bright sun of noon. *Th. F. M.*

Mild Humour

IT is surprising to note that "Doctor in the House" (Chen, Tel Aviv) was almost as big a money maker for J. Arthur Rank as the record-breaking "Genevieve." For really, apart from Technicolor and the presence of Kay Kendall (utterly wasted this time) and Kenneth More, these films have little in common. Whereas "Genevieve" was always charming and often really funny in a typically British way, this new effort about four London medical students at a big hospital, while still very "British," is worth only a few mild chuckles.

Apart from the bulky James Robertson Justice, superb as a bustling, over-cheerful surgeon, some talented young players like Dirk Bogarde — in a light role for once — Muriel Pavlow and those mentioned above are wasted on poor material. *J. L.*

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"The Marriage and Divorce Law" does not permit the Israeli citizen to marry the woman of his choice — if she was born of non-Jewish parents.
"The Marriage and Divorce Law" is a discriminatory racial law and essentially wicked.

FREE CITIZENS!
Moshe Barak is on a hunger strike not to solve his own personal problem.
Moshe Barak is on a hunger strike on behalf of the freedom of the citizen, on behalf of freedom of conscience and in protest against religious coercion and religious discrimination.

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The religious politicians succeeded in extorting "The Marriage and Divorce Law" from the Knesset, but they must not succeed in imposing the Law on the nation as a whole. THE PEOPLE ARE STRONGER THAN THEY!
We call on the Knesset to reconsider the Laws of Marriage and Personal Status!
We call on the Knesset to repeal "The Marriage and Divorce Law"!
We call on the Knesset to throw off the yoke of the Chief Rabbinate!
We call on the Knesset to establish Government authority over Civil Marriages.
Do away with a practice which disgraces Israel.
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